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SUBJ: EXCHANGES - 1973-74 FULBRIGHT LECTURER MATEI
CALINESCU

REF: LOVECKY-GILBERT LETTER OF MAY 31, 1974

1. EMBASSY INFORMED BY MINISTRY OF EDUCATION JUNE 17 THAT MATEI CALINESCU'S "PERMISSION TO REMAIN ABROAD" HAS BEEN "REVOKED BY HIS INSTITUTION." ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY WAS TOLD HIS NOMINATION FOR 1974-75 IS WITHDRAWN. MINED HAS SENT LETTER TO CALINESCU INFORMING HIM OF THIS DECISION AND REQUESTING THAT HE RETURN HOME.

2. MINISTRY HAD, OF COURSE, BEEN INFORMED PREVIOUSLY OF U.S. RESPONSE (ONE SEMESTER APPOINTMENT FOR FALL, 1974) TO THEIR EARLIER NOMINATION OF CALINESCU FOR EXTENSION UNDER THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM FOR 1974-75. WHEN REMINDED OF THIS, MINISTRY OFFICIAL REPLIED THAT CALINESCU WAS "NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR PARTICIPATION." QUERIED INFORMALLY FOLLOWING MEETING REGARDING REASON FOR MINISTRY ACTION, EMBASSY CONTACT REPLIED "I DON'T KNOW."

3. DESPITE MINISTRY SPECIFICATION OF CALINESCU'S "INSTITUTION" AS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS CHANGE OF STATUS, EMBASSY BELIEVES IT MORE LIKELY THAT DIRECTIVE CAME FROM
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SECURITY AGENCY IN LIGHT OF BACKGROUND KNOWN TO BOTH

DEPARTMENT AND CIES (REF GILBERT-RENTSCHLER MEMO.
MAY 13, 1974,QIBLINES PROVIDED DEPARTMENT).

4. REQUEST DEPARTMENT INFORM CALINESCU AND UNIVERSITY
OF INDIANA OF DEVELOPMENT IN PARA. ONE ABOVE AND ADVISE
EMBASFYFOF RESULTS THESE CONTACTS. IN OUR VIEW U.S.
WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY CONTINUING CALINESCU'S GRANT SINCE
HE IS NO LONGER A NOMINEE OF MINISTRY OF EDUCATION.
PRIVATE ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY CALINESCU AND UNIVERSITY
OF INDIANA OUTSIDE OF U.S.-ROMANIAN EXCHANGE AGREEMENT
ARE, OF COURSE, ANOTHER MATTER.
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